



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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June 3, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF TWO (2) YEAR COOPERATIVE
AGREEMENT 07A1184 A01 AND COUNTY AGREEMENT 73675 WITH THE
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE
REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS BRUSH, WEEDS AND DEBRIS FROM
ROUTES 030, 105, 110 AND 710 AREAS
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3-VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the attached Amendment to Cooperative Agreement 07A1184 A01 and County Agreement 73675 with the California Department of Transportation for weed abatement services for Routes 030, 105, 110 and 710 areas.
2. Instruct the Chair to sign the Amendment.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has requested an extension of the term stated in Cooperative Agreement 07A1184 A01 and County Agreement No. 73675, from August 15, 2001 through June 30, 2003 to an amended term of August 15, 2001 through January 31, 2004. Two hundred fifty thousand dollars of the original \$500,000 were allocated for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003. Of that amount, approximately \$200,000 remain. Weed abatement work performed for the remaining life of the original contract, as well as the seven month extension, July 1, 2003 through January 31, 2004, will be charged against this remaining amount.

Caltrans has requested that the Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures Department continue to provide abatement of noxious or hazardous weeds, brush and debris on State properties.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Weed Abatement Program is a seamless service delivery system to those agencies who contract our services. The Program is designed to analyze each situation presented by the contractor and provide the most effective and efficient service within the given specifications. In the completion of the work assignments for Caltrans, we will use whatever Departmental assets that are available to complete the task of fire protection compliance on their parcels. This usually entails the use of our County crews along with private specialized equipment vendors under contract to our Program.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost. Caltrans will pay the Department for abatement services. The subcontractor costs will be completely offset by revenue under the agreements and have been included in the Department's 2003/2004 budget request.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The terms of the Amendment to Agreement shall be for a period beginning August 15, 2001 through January 31, 2004.

The Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures Department will provide administrative support and field supervision without the need of additional personnel.

The Department will contract with private vendors for equipment, supplies and temporary personnel for a cost not to exceed the agreement limits. Vendors will be required to provide insurance policies naming the County of Los Angeles as an additional insured.

The Department has determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended contracts.

The Amendment to Agreement has been reviewed by County Counsel and is approved as to form.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

County Agreement 73675 was approved on October 9, 2001, and all its other terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Abatement services in the Amendment to Agreement do not conflict with the Department's regularly scheduled weed abatement program.

CONCLUSION

Six copies of the Amendment to County Agreement 73675 are being submitted to your Board for signature. We request five copies be returned to the Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures Department for submission to Caltrans.

Respectfully submitted,

CATO R. FIKSDAL
Agricultural Commissioner/
Director of Weights and Measures

CRF:RKI:cm
Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel

Amendment to Agreement

Dated June 3, 2003, by and through the California Department of Transportation hereinafter referred to as "Caltrans" and the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "Local Agency".

It is mutually agreed by the parties that Section III, #2 Period of Performance is amended to read as follows:

This Agreement shall begin on August 15, 2001, contingent upon approval by the State and the Local Agency, and expire on January 31, 2004.

All other terms and provisions of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement on the day and year first herein above written:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Los Angeles State of California

By: _____
Mapula Conley
Contract Officer Date

Chair, Board of Supervisors Date

Attest: _____
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Approved as to form and procedure:

Approved as to Form:

Attorney
Department of Transportation Date

Attorney (or Counsel)
County of Los Angeles Date

Certified as to Funds:

Headquarters Division of Accounting Date